

YOU ARE INVITED TO A PUBLIC MEETING ON INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Who are the sponsors?

This public meeting is being co-sponsored by the Statewide Independent Living Council and the Divisions of Rehabilitation Services and Service to the Blind & Visually Impaired.

When and Where?

The meeting will be held on Thursday, May 3, 2007 from 3:00 PM – 6:00 PM at the Rushmore Holiday Inn at 505 North 5th Street in Rapid City.

What are we going to talk about?

We're going to talk about the strengths of South Dakota's independent living services and how they have impacted your lives. For those who have not accessed independent living services, we're going to talk about available services. We're also going to talk about missing pieces that would make a difference for individuals with significant disabilities seeking to live independently.

The format will be informal and "drop-in" in an effort to accommodate the schedules of those wishing to participate. Statewide Independent Living Council members, Division leaders and staff of both will be in attendance to receive your input.

Who should attend?

All individuals are invited to participate in this opportunity. We especially hope to hear from persons with disabilities and family members, as to how independent living services have impacted their lives.

Special Accommodations

Facilities are accessible to people with mobility impairments. If you need a sign language interpreter or other reasonable accommodation, please call staff at 1-800-210-0143 **at least 10 days in advance of the meeting.**

How can I participate if I am unable to attend the meeting?

If you are unable to attend and would still like to comment, you may do so by sending written comments by **May 17, 2007** to one of the following:

Statewide Independent Living Council
221 South Central Avenue
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

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